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The Masonic Home Journal, published at Masonic Widows and Orphans' Home, Louisville, in speaking of the parade on St. John's day, June 24th, has this to say:

Frankfort Commandery, No. 4, was in the parade, and added to the beauty of the column, which, for regularity and precision of movement, has probably not been excelled by any body of men, of equal numbers, in the United States. The Infantry battalion was composed of champion Commanderies—DeMolay, Raper, St. Bernard, Louisville, and Frankfort. The first three had won the first prizes (or their equivalent) in national contests, and the last two held the Kentucky State banner for a year.

Frankfort Commandery held the prize banner for two years, having won it at the meeting of the Grand Commandery in Georgetown and at Danville.

E. Power desires to call the attention of the housekeepers to his new stove. It is the famous Charter Oak Stove, manufactured by the Excelsior Manufacturing Company of St. Louis. It is an extra heavy stove, having all the modern improvements that any other stove has, and in addition it has Wire Gauze Oven Doors. This is an improvement that is in no other stove in the world, and makes a vast difference in the baking and roasting qualities of the oven. It is so arranged that you can make it a tight oven stove like any other, by merely turning an extra door on its hinges or turning a register.

It is an established fact that a highly heated current of air may be driven against fine gauze wire without transmitting its temperature from one side to the other, and that while the air will pass through the heat will remain behind.

The baking temperature in ovens is obtained by the radiation of heat from the flues which surround them. It is necessary that this heat should be retained in the oven, but it is also necessary that the vapor of water and other volatile gases liberated in the process of baking should escape. This secured, we approximate the perfection of cooking attained in spit roasts before an open fire. All this is accomplished in the Wire Gauze Ovens.

## THE PRACTICAL RESULTS OF GAUZE OVEN DOORS.

Bread baked in close ovens has never attained the perfection which characterized bread baked in old fashion brick ovens, and never can. Superiority of the brick oven over the tight iron oven was not due to any difference in the character of the heat within it, but to the fact that it was large, and afforded ready means of escape for steam and volatile products thrown off in the chemical changes incident to cooking.

With the Gauze Oven Doors we secure all the advantages of the brick oven, without sacrificing any of the conveniences of the modern cookstove.

By this improvement a given weight of flour will give 25 per cent. more bread and of a better quality than can be produced in any close oven in use. Meats roasted in their own juices in ovens having Gauze Oven Doors, result in more tender and more agreeable meats for the table than can be obtained by any other means. Nobasting required. There is not a cooking apparatus made using a solid oven door but that the loss in weight is from 25 to 40 per cent. of meat roasted; in other words, a rib of beef weighing 10 pounds, if roasted medium to well done, will lose 3 pounds. The same roasted in a Charter Oak Stove and Range with Gauze Oven Doors will lose less than 1 pound. But few have an idea of the enormous shrinkage of meats roasted in close ovens—fully 30 per cent. To allow meat to shrink is to lose a large portion of its juices and flavor. The fibers do not separate, and it becomes tough.

The wire gauze oven door saves the weight and shrinkage, allowing the meat to be roasted in its own juices, retains its natural flavor, and separates the

fibers, makes it more nutritious and easier digested, and saves time and fuel.

The Charter Oak stoves and ranges are so constructed that the fire passes directly under the centre of all the boiler holes. They have large ovens, heavy covers, reversible cross pieces and wire gauze oven doors, and are constructed to burn either hard coal, soft coal, or wood. Mr. Power has a sample of this stove at his store, and he will be glad to show it to any one interested in a stove. It is as cheap as any other first-class stove, and will be sold, guaranteed to give entire satisfaction.

## Bridgeport.

Mrs. Ann Mayhall is quite ill. Mrs. Dr. Chinn is slowly recovering. The stock market is rather dull. The prospect for an abundant cabbage yield is splendid.

Mrs. Julia Bailey has been quite sick again this week.

Wheat harvest is about over. The yield will be very good.

We understand a foot race will take place in this vicinity soon.

Last Tuesday, July 1st, was the commencement of a new school year.

BORN.—June 27th, 1884, to Jas. P. Sargent, jr., and wife, a daughter.

Splendid rains this week, causing vegetation to assume altogether a brighter prospect.

Master Willie Chambers returned home last Tuesday from a visit of several months to relatives in Owensboro.

Several citizens of this place expect to visit Old Point, Washington City, and other places of interest on the Atlantic coast this summer.

Rev. B. F. Hungerford, pastor of New South Benson Church will preach at Franklin Church to-day at 2 o'clock p. m. and to-morrow at 10½ o'clock a. m.

A trip from Bridgeport to Benson last Tuesday convinces us more thoroughly of the fact that a pike connecting these two places is indispensable to their best interests.

We propose the following as part of the programme for discussion in the Teachers Association to be held in Frankfort to-day:

Resolve. That the present method of examination of teachers is a farce.

## Tick Ridge.

RED EYE RESURRECTED.

Lest the readers of your sprightly organ should consider me totally annihilated by the fossilized pedagogue of Bridgeport is my excuse for my appearance at this time. I have been laboring under a fit of *anti-cathedra scribendi*, and had a perfect disgust for pen, ink and paper, and I was waiting to see how many pumpkin-headed chaps like Mink Eye would rejoice at my demolition by the great Bridgeport luminary. Well now didn't he use me up. "Twenty-four years a pedagogue!" he says; I reckon the people round about Bridgeport supposed themselves struck by a regular cyclone of wisdom when they heard that. Strange that one so knowing and accomplished (according to his own account) has not long ago been called to take his choice of professorships in Harvard or Vanderbilt! This learned prodigy, this wholesale devourer of "ripe spring chickens" (tis said that he can make way with more of them than a Methodist circuit rider), is beyond question the 17th wonder of the world and should be honored accordingly. He should have a monument of brass or pewter, garlanded all over with spring roosters and pullets and labeled with a teacher's certificate of "24 years experience," also in shining letters of brass or pewter, "Honor to whom honor." Room for the gallant pedagogue of Bridgeport, who, more than a quarter of a century ago, crossed the terrible *Pons asinorum* under the whip and spur of an old field school master's birchen rod vigorously applied to his youthful and blistered posterior.

Ahem! I cannot close this epistle without a passing notice to the dude who does up so nicely the things and doings of Belle Point—that beautiful village which nestles so closely under umbrageous shadows of Tick Ridge. He speaks the truth when he says his "is a business and moral little town. So businesslike that a man cannot ride through the town with a new bonnet for his wife in a handbox without being accosted by the hucksters with, "how yer sell chickens?" "Has yer got any butter an' eggs?" "Will yer take it in trade?" &c., and so very moral that they keep their booths open of a Sabbath morning and play base ball in

the afternoons; and we did hear that the scribe aforesaid umpires the game. Lovely place, morally; businesslike, beautiful.

I will pass Mink Eye at present. His remarks are too insignificant to notice. I will leave him to the tender mercies of the Benson magistrate—at the same time admiring the inconsistency of said Squire, who voted for the Bridgeport and Benson pike and against the much needed Water-tank pipe up Benson.

The weather is hot. News is scarce. Bunk Updyke are well, and spring chickens are ripe.

RED EYE.

To J. D. M., of the "Happy Land of Canaan."

THE ROUNDABOUT of June 14, 1884, contains a communication defending the county court for its acts, in a manner unheard of. Years ago, an appropriation was made to build a turnpike from Bridgeport to Farmdale. A toll-gate was not placed upon it for the reason that the travel would not sustain the gate keeper. It was said it would be a valuable road before its erection. But it has followed the wake of others, and turned out a failure. When that road is completed to Benson it will fare as the one has from Bridgeport to Farmdale. "J. D. M." says he wants to connect Benson and Bald Knob with Bridgeport for what? Was a turnpike ever erected to favor neighborhood travel? Or was the appropriation made to permit the good people who live in the county to get to the county seat, over a good turnpike? Isn't this the only reason a turnpike is aided by the county? If any other, is it just? No! I would like to call "J. D. M.'s" attention to the appropriation made to the turnpike extended to the mouth of Elk-horn. That road paid a dividend. Private subscriptions were made to the company; the court was asked for an appropriation to extend it one mile. It was done by the court of claims, who assumed to locate a bridge that the pike was to cross. To erect the pike it has cost nearly twice as much as it should have done because it had to pass a hill-side all the way, and the slides have covered the pike all winter. Now the company has no money to finish it and it is stated that not a dollar of private subscription has been paid. In other words these private subscriptions to turnpikes are a myth. For instance, Benson precinct has not exceeding 200 voters, Bridgeport not exceeding 250 voters. Most of the travel from Benson is on the railroad, and when a turnpike is built it will never sustain itself except by some one who will keep it up privately with the county aid. How many pikes in the county pay a dividend, Mr. J. D. M.? He would have you believe all were paying roads. No road that has been built within the last ten years ever paid the county one cent either in an increase of valuation on property or in the way of dividend. Now, sir, you may hurl anathemas at "Mink Eye" and invoke *pro bono publico* and threaten us with *Pluto's* regions, assisted by the air of Hall Columbia, but can you deal in facts and not fancies? Don't you know a mile of road received a subscription of stock from the county at the Bald Knob end that is out in the cold, and will be worn out before it is connected with the main line? If that astute member of court has knowledge on court affairs let us have a little:

1. How much turnpike stock has Franklin county?
2. How much of it pays a dividend?
3. How much is the floating debt?
4. How much money over and above the power to levy a tax for 1885 has he voted for to give to turnpikes?
5. Can he say any one will ever pay a gate keeper?

These five questions properly answered will enlighten this community, and to get it will give J. D. M. knowledge.

SCORCHER.

## Polsgrove.

The tobacco in this section needs rain very bad.

Miss Ida Hiatt, of this place, is visiting friends in Frankfort.

Mrs. W. P. Lawrence, of Monterey, is visiting friends in this neighborhood.

Miss Annie Kersey, of Frankfort, is visiting her mother and father at this place.

Rev. John A. Head preaches at the Baptist Church here Saturday and Sunday.

The corn in this neighborhood is not as good as it usually is at this season of the year.

We had a fine shower here Monday morning. It did not come before we needed it either.

Miss Anna Quarles, who has been visiting friends at Pewee Valley, returned home Sunday.

We had a good game of base ball here Saturday evening. The Mount Carmel

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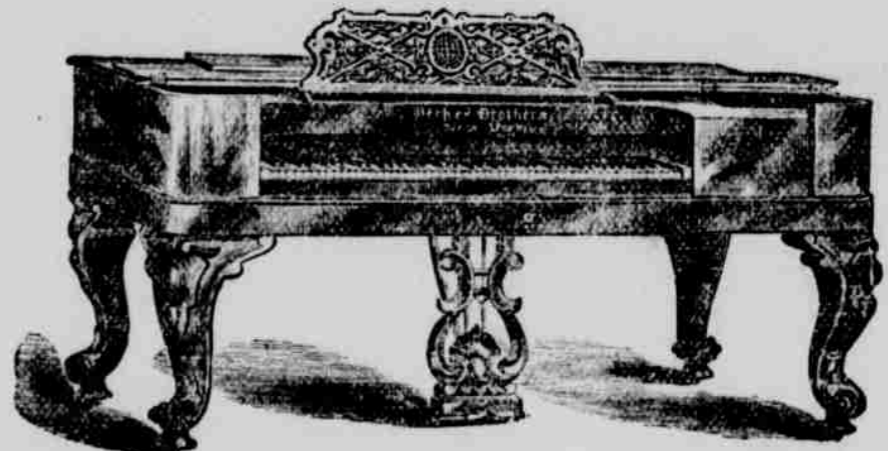
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Eclipse vs. Flat Creek Clippers. The F. C. C.'s were defeated by a score of 2 to 1. We feel for them but we can not reach them.

Dr. Austin and Mr. Davis Harrod, from Flag Fork, spent Sunday with us. Come down again, boys.

Miss Sue LeCompte, of this place, who has been visiting friends at Frankfort, returned home Sunday morning.

Our mail has been carried from this place to Harper's Ferry by subscription until now, but the U. S. Government will carry it from this time on. Mr. Joseph Peyton is contractor and carrier. He made his first trip with the mail Tuesday morning. Mr. John Blankenship, the former mail carrier, brought the pockets in for the last time Saturday. We feel sorry for John. He will have to go out in the sun and hoe tobacco. Won't that be lightning? I should murmur.

CAITAIN.

## Switzer.

Miss Katie Owens, of Louisville, is visiting friends in this neighborhood.

A large crop of tobacco has been set in this community, and most of it is looking splendid.

We had a splendid rain last Monday, which seemed to give new life to all growing vegetation.

The farmers are now very busy gathering the yellow sheafs of wheat, and they report a very large yield.

Miss Bettie Bradley, who has been visiting friends in Frankfort for some time past, returned home last week.

B. H. McCoy left for Louisville Monday, June 21st, where he will remain for some time engaged in tying strings on C. B. Hopkin's patent money box.

Miss Ophie Thomason's school closed on the 27th Miss Lizzie Hoover's school will close in a short time. Miss Mary Merna will teach the public school at Peak's Mill this fall.

Little Pryor Hockensmith, son of J. B. Hockensmith, has been quite ill for several days, but under the treatment of Dr. Dawson, our village physician, he is rapidly improving.

We don't like to go out of our territory or intrude upon the rights of other correspondents, but we beg to mention a game of base ball, that took place at Stamping Ground between the Stamping Ground Club and the Switzer Red Stockings. When the game closed the score stood Switzer 28, Stamping Ground 1. A very good walk over for the first match game of the season.

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